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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR	)	
CONFIGURATING PRODUCTS	)	
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DECLARATION OF LYNNE VERCHERE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132

I, Lynne Verchere, declare and attest to the following:

1. I am a citizen of Canada and reside at 1-11 Hay Hill, London, UK W1J 6DH.

2. I am a business partner of David Verchere, the named inventor on the above styled patent application. I have worked as a systems engineer at IBM for 10 years, taught a college-level course in computer science for 5 years, and operated my own computer company for 12 years. I have extensive experience in designing and building computer systems. I have read and studied the specification of the above styled application. Further, David Verchere fully and completely disclosed the invention disclosed in the application and identified in the claims to me in connection with our business venture and to obtain my technical advice regarding implementation of his inventions.

3.   The computer-based skills and knowledge required to create and devise the invention are considerable. The pricing algorithms used by the disclosed system are both logically and arithmetically complex. Their derivation requires a deep understanding of computer science as well as advanced mathematics. In addition, the system disclosed in the current invention requires significant experience and training with computer-based commercial systems. Without expert-level competency in both computer hardware and software, one would not be able to create the present invention.

4.   One of ordinary skill in the field of marketing and promotional products would not have the needed skills, training, and ability to create the pricing algorithms or devise the system of computers disclosed in the present invention.

5.   I declare that the statements made of my own knowledge are true and statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and that these statements are made with knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code or other provisions, and that any such willful false statements, if filed, may jeopardize the validity of any related patent application or patent issuing thereon from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

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